

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The cable ownership

cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

I truly hope that you are able to see that these company's arguments based on their "freedom of speech" are nothing more than hogwash. Freedom of speech is a right guaranteed individuals and individuals acting as groups working to make their voices heard. It is not a right given to corporations and their argument that corporations share the same rights as citizens truly threatens the freedom of any American to watch what they want to watch, seek out information where they choose and to live in a world where their own consciences decide what information they take in as opposed to a corporation's profit motives.